

# KHOI PHAM

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## EDUCATION

### Purdue University

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering

GPA: 3.85 / 4.0

Coursework: Fundamental of Electrical Engineering I + II, Introduction to Digital System Design, ASIC Design Laboratory

West Lafayette, IN

May 2025

## SKILLS

**Programming Languages:** C, Python, C++, Java, HTML/CSS, JavaScript, Bash

**Hardware Tools:** SystemVerilog, KiCad, Arduino, Oscilloscope, Soldering

**Professional Organization:** Purdue ECE Student Society (2021-2022), Purdue IEEE (Social Chair 2022-2023)

## DESIGN PROJECTS

### ASIC Design Laboratory

Jan - May 2023

- Designed and verified various System-on-Chip (SoC) modules, including a UART receiver, APB-slave UART receiver, and AHB-Lite FIR filter.
- Implemented and verified a USB TX module and a data buffer to handle data packet payloads in a FIFO queue fashion for a USB full-speed bulk-transfer endpoint within an AHB-Lite SoC module.
- Enhanced the USB TX module by incorporating a bit-stuffer mechanism and integrated a 16-bit cyclic redundancy check (CRC) generator.

*Purdue System-on-Chip Extension Technologies (SoCET)*

### DIGITAL HARDWARE DEVELOPER & PCB DESIGNER

June 2022 – May 2023

- Designed and tested thoroughly a Floating Point Unit with SystemVerilog, specifically catering to arithmetic operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication) of half-precision floating point units.
- Developed an activation function digital module for AI accelerator hardware, employing a pipeline design to significantly enhance computational speed and efficiency.
- Added different features to PCBs test platforms to extensively test SoCET's latest fabricated chip, including FTDI communication and on-chip memory, and adapted to the multiple-signal pins characteristics of the chip.
- Redesigned and improved old platforms to implement better communication with the chip through the use of on-board elements such as ring oscillator, serial-to-USB interface, and multiplexed DIP switches.

## EXPERIENCE

*Elmore Family School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Purdue University*

### UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT

Jan 2023 – Present

- Assisted ECE 27000 students (Introduction to Digital System Design) build and troubleshoot basic digital design with physical circuits and SystemVerilog.
- Managed and sustained the infrastructure of the course, which encompassed maintaining the students' database and course website by leveraging expertise in bash shell scripting and JavaScript.
- Developed and tested auto-grading scripts using Python and C++, significantly cut down labor work.

*Dr. Shalaev Research Group, Birck Nanotechnology center, Purdue University*

### FIRMWARE DEVELOPER

May 2023 – Aug 2023

- Contributed to the open-source code of ThorLabs devices based on the APT communications protocol ([gitlab.com/ptapping/thorlabs-apt-device](https://gitlab.com/ptapping/thorlabs-apt-device))
- Implemented the Python software suite Qudi to remotely control and automate a time-correlated single photon counting and confocal microscopy experiment setup through hardware abstractions.
- Built Python hardware packages for various experimental devices, including mirror galvanometer, laser, linear actuator with proportional-integral-derivative (PID) controller, live camera.